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Title: TOPICAL PRODUCT FORMULATIONS CONTAINING STRONTIUM FOR  
REDUCING SKIN IRRITATION

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**AMENDMENT AND INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD**

Dear Sir:

The substance of the telephonic interview between Applicants' undersigned representative and Examiner Gina Yu on August 22, 2006, is incorporated throughout this paper as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.133. The Examiner's courtesies in conducting the interview are greatly appreciated.

During the interview, European Patent Document No. EP 0 346 957 ("Bristow") and U.S. Patent No. 4,943,432 ("Biener") were discussed in conjunction with the outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103. Also discussed was the status of the Information Disclosure Statement (including the attached eight pages of Form PTO-1449) filed by Applicants on February 26, 2003, and received by the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office in March 2003. Examiner Yu indicated that she would consider that Information Disclosure Statement and return an initialed copy of the attached eight pages of Form PTO-1449 with the next action since an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 pages was not evident in the file.

Further to the Request for Continued Examination filed on June 24, 2006, in the above-captioned patent application and the Response to Final Office Action submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 therewith (originally transmitted to the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office on May 30, 2006), please enter and consider the following remarks. Examiner Yu indicated that a supplemental amendment following the telephonic interview would be considered if filed for her consideration the week of August 28, 2006.

With this amendment, 11 dependent claims are cancelled and 12 claims (3 of which are independent claims) are hereby added. The total number of claims pending is now 63, with the total number of independent claims being 4. The total number of claims previously paid for was 65 total claims and 3 independent claims. Thus, it is believed that an additional independent claim fee is due in conjunction with this Response. Please charge the associated amount due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(h) (\$100) and any further fee that should become payable, or credit any credit becoming due, to Deposit Account No. 50-2785.